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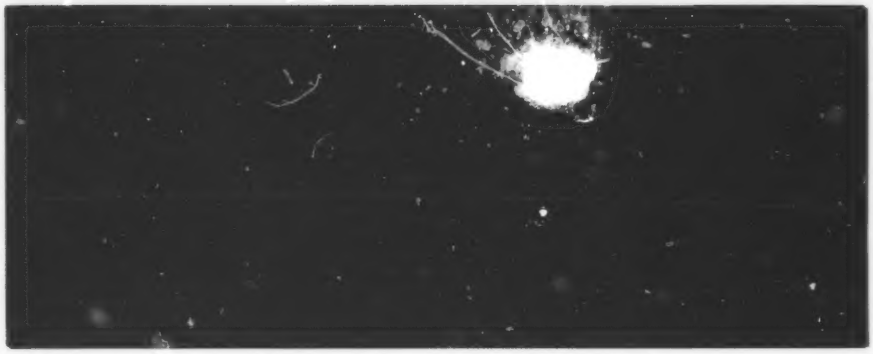

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NORTHERN AGRICULTURE CONFERENCE

March 6, 7 & 8, 1989, La Ronge

GENERAL REPORT

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Introduction

The Northern Economic Conference presented a general overview of a number of topics by many speakers. The information was directed at several different audiences.

Northern delegates - so that they can take back information to their community.

Government, extension, funding and other agencies - so that they could co-operate in the development of northern development to be able to better understand funding applications, lease requests, etc.

Objectives

The theme for the Conference was "Northern Opportunities". Topics included panels on Wild Rice, Native Berries, Specialized Northern Agriculture, Business Training, Forestry, Mining, Hunting, Fishing and Trapping, Tourism and Service and Joint Ventures. The conference and related follow-up activities are expected to have a significant impact on northern agriculture employment opportunities.

Presentations

Considerable planning went into identifying what information should be presented and contacts were made for speakers and Co-Chairman for each session. A concentrated effort was made to keep talks on time, providing for questions and answers. Adequate visual equipment (slides and videos) were provided by Saskatchewan Education - Northern Division (Graham Guest). This kept the audiences attention and interest. CKBI Television (Prince Albert) have put together a video on the conference and copies will be duplicated and distributed. This will be an added cost to the video component. There was a total of 35 speakers of which 5 were SIAP and Rural Development and 11 Co-Chairman.

Trade@Show

The trade show was held on the first evening of the Conference and part of the first day of the Conferenece. It was an opportunity for the delegates to talk to northern extension agencies and producers. There was a total of 22 displays. Overall comments from the Questionnaire was that there was good quality of displays. Most would of like the trade show and conference in same building and some thought the space in the dining room was a little crowded but worked out well.

Accommodation

The accommodation was shared by four local hotels and the Kikinahk Friendship Centre. All hotel space was fully booked. There was no real problem to accommodate most of them.

Meals

Non- treaty delegates were given meal tickets to eat at local restaurants for meals. This system not only provided business to the local community but made it easier when calculating expenses. FSIN paid an honorariam plus mileage to treaty delegates.

The Kikinahk Friendship Centre catered to the luncheons on both days and also the Banquet. The "Taste of the North" banquet featured northern food - wild rice, trout, blueberries. There was a good turnout.

Banquet tickets were sold to non-delegates.

Registration

The attendance was much higher than expected. Over 300 delegates registered. Conference funding paid for 2 delegates per community/band. Delegates were chosen from their Band Councils/Town Councils on the representation. Additional members came on their own expense.

Media

Once the dates and location was confirmed a News Release was sent out to various newspapers throughout the province. Advertising was anticipated to be expensive but some considered it in the editorial section at no charge. There was good media coverage and several interviews were held. CKBI Television from Prince Albert taped a live coverage throughout the Conference.

Questionnaire

A questionnaire was handed out at the Conference to each delegate. However, none were handed back at the conclusion of the Conference so a follow up was sent to each delegate. Very few have responded so far.

Financial Report

A detailed account of all expenses were kept. There are afew invoices still outstanding. Hopefully these will be sent in shortly.

List@of@Personnel

Lefa Buffalo, SIAP acted as Conference Co-ordinator. She was assisted by Joe Roberts, Chairman , Northern Agriculture Committee. Also worked with Norman Stevenson, FSIN co-sponsor. Hospitality was hosted by Joe Roberts who did an excellent job and is commended for all his efforts! FSIN provided staff to assist in the registration.

Recommendation

Set up a steering committee.
Request for presentations.
Follow up on questionnaires.

BUDGET BREAKDOWN
NORTHERN ECONOMIC CONFERENCE

EXPENSES

	BUDGET	SPENT	BALANCE
Co-ordinator	13,500.00	14,454.31	(954.31)
Delegates			
Treaty	8,000.00	22,635.78	(14,635.78)
Non-Treaty	8,000.00	4,469.76	3,530.24
Speakers	10,000.00	12,816.42	(2,816.42)
Meals	8,000.00	808.00	7,192.00
Conference	7,000.00	4,414.84	2,585.16
Advertising	1,000.00	257.00	743.00
Gifts	500.00	639.91	(139.91)
Banquet	5,000.00	3,355.00	1,645.00
Luncheon	3,750.00	3,750.00	0
Dance	1,500.00	1,500.00	0
Video	1,400.00	192.60	1,207.40
Trade Show	1,000.00	150.00	850.00
Youth	5,050.00	982.20	4,067.80
Hospitality	1,000.00	491.25	508.75
TOTAL	74,700.00	70,512.53	3,782.93

SOURCESØOFØREVENUE

	RECEIVED	BALANCE
ADF		5,000.00
SASK. ED.	9,000.00	0
NEDSA	9,600.00	6,400.00
INAC	8,000.00	0
SASK. POWER	18,000.00	0
SINAS	8,000.00	0
MEDFO	5,000.00	0
CASH	390.00	(Proceeds from Banquet)
NORTHERN AFFAIRS	491.25	(Hospitality Costs)
SIEF	2,500.00	
TOTAL	60,981.25	11,400.00

BUDGET

FIRST DRAFT

EXPENSES

Conference Co-ordinator	
- Fees	$ 8,700.00
- Travel	$ 4,000.00
- Stenographer	$ 800.00
Treaty Delegates	
- Travel	$ 4,000.00
- Airfare	$ 1,000.00
- Hotel	$ 3,000.00
Non-Treaty Delegates	
- Travel	$ 4,000.00
- Airfare	$ 1,000.00
- Hotel	$ 3,000.00
Speakers	$10,000.00
Meals (2 Breakfast, 2 Supper) @250	$ 8,000.00
Materials, Supplies	$ 2,000.00
Incidentals, Printing Costs, Letterhead	$ 1,000.00
(Kits, Agenda, Proceedings) @250	$ 2,000.00
Advertising	$ 1,000.00
Posters, Pamphlets	$ 1,000.00
Building Rental	$ 500.00
Meeting Rooms (2)	$ 500.00
Gifts (Speakers)	$ 500.00
Banquet	$ 5,000.00
Luncheon $7.50/person X 2 @250	$ 3,750.00
Dance	$ 1,500.00
Video Coverage	$ 1,400.00
Trade Show	$ 1,000.00
Youth	$ 5,050.00
Hospitality Room	$ 1,000.00
TOTAL	$74,700.00

SOURCES OF REVENUE

Agriculture Development Fund	$ 20,000.00
Northern Education	$ 10,000.00
N.E.D.S.A.	$
Indian Affairs & Northern Development	$ 8,000.00
Sask. Power Corporation	$ 18,000.00
Indian & Native Affairs Secretariat	$

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On behalf of the Saskatchewan Indian Agriculture Program, the Federation of Saskatchewan Indian Nations, and the Northern Development Advisory Council we welcome all participants to the "Northern Economic Conference and Trade Show".

We hope that this conference will be informative and beneficial both to you and your communities. Northern economic development will continue to prosper by working together to build a better future.

Thank you for your participation and continued support.

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S0M 0M0

Mr. Oscar Beatty - Mayor
Northern Hamlet of Deschambault Lake
General Delivery
Deschambault Lake, Saskatchewan
S0P 0C0

Mr. Robert Snell - Mayor
Northern Hamlet of Dore Lake
P.O. Box 608
via Big River, Saskatchewan
S0M 0K0

Mr. Mike Blackmon - Mayor
Northern Hamlet of Jans Bay
General Delivery
via Canoe Narrows, Saskatchewan
S0M 0K0

Mr. Frederick Janvier - Mayor
Northern Hamlet of Michel Village
General Delivery
via Dillon, Saskatchewan
S0M 0S0

Mr. Lewis G. Layton - Mayor
Northern Hamlet of Missinipe
P.O. Box 1617
La Ronge, Saskatchewan
S0T 0L0

Mr. Mathias Maurice - Mayor
Northern Hamlet of Patuanak
General Delivery
Patuanak, Saskatchewan
S0M 2H0

Mr. Melvin Natewayes - Mayor
Northern Hamlet of Pelican Narrows
General Delivery
Pelican Narrows, Saskatchewan
S0O 0E0

Mr. William Dumais - Mayor
Northern Hamlet of Southend
General Delivery
Southend, Saskatchewan
S0J 2L0

Mr. Emilian Desjarlais - Mayor
Northern Hamlet of St. George's Hill
General Delivery
via Dillon, Saskatchewan
S0M 0S0

Ms. Sallie McLeod - Mayor
Northern Hamlet of Stanley Mission
General Delivery
Stanley Mission, Saskatchewan
S0J 2P0

Mr. Jacob Lavallee - Mayor
Northern Hamlet of Timer Bay
General Delivery
Timber Bay, Saskatcheawn
S0J 2T0

Mr. Ambrose Caisse - Mayor
Northern Hamlet of Turnor Lake
General Delivery
Turnor Lake, Saskatchewan
S0M 3E0

Mr. Christian Nelson - Mayor
Northern Hamlet of Weyakwin
General Delivery
Molanosa P.O.
Weyakwin, Saskatchewan
S0J 0W0

Mr. Emile Hansen - Mayor
Northern Hamlet of Wollaston Lake
General Delivery
Wollaston Lake, Saskatchewan
S0J 3C0

Mr. Jean McKenzie - Chairperson
Northern Settlement of Descharme
General Delivery
via La Loche, Saskatchewan
S0M 1G0

Ms. Victoria Janvier - Chairperson
Northern Settlement of Garson Lake
P.O. Box 367
via La Loche, Saskatchewan
S0M 1G0

Chairman
Northern Settlement of Kinoosao
General Delivery
via Lynn Lake, Manitoba
R0B 0W0

Mr. Richard LaFleur - Chairman
Northern Settlement of Sled Lake
P.O. Box 749
via Big River, Saskatchewan
S0J 0E0

Mr. Gilbert Mercredi - Chairman
Northern Settlement of Stony Rapids
General Delivery
Stony Rapids, Saskatchewan
S0J 2R0

Mr. Roderick Budd - Chairman
Northern Settlement of Sturgeon Landing
General Delivery
Sturgeon Landing, Saskatchewan
S0P 0H0

Ms. Janet Holmgren - Chairperson
Northern Settlement of Uranium City
General Delivery
Uranium City, Saskatchewan
S0J 2W0

Chief Pierre Settee
Chumberland House Band
P.O. Box 220
Cumberland House, Saskatchewan
S0E 0S0

Chief Terry Sanderson
James Smith Cree Nation
P.O. Box 680
Kinistino, Saskatchewan
S0J 1H0

Chief Harry Cook
Lac La Ronge Band
P.O. Box 480
La Ronge, Saskatchewan
S0J 1L0

Chief Henry Naytowhow
General Delivery
Montreal Lake Band
Montreal Lake, Saskatchewan
S0E 1K0

Chief Phillip Head
Red Earth Band
Box 109
Red Earth, Saskatchewan
S0E 1K0

Chief Charles Whitecap
Shoal Lake Band
P.O. Box 51
Pakwa Lake, Saskatchewan
S0E 1G0

Chief Wesley Daniels
Sturgeon Lake Band
P.O. Box 5, Site 12, R.R. #1
Shellbrook, Saskatchewan
S0J 2E0

Chief Lorne Waditaka
Wahpeton Band
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Prince Albert, Saskatchewan
S6V 5R4

Chief Ron Michelle
Peter Ballantyne Band
General Delivery
Pelican Narrows, Saskatchewan
S0P 0E0

Chief Dan Robbilard
Stony Rapids Band
General Delivery
Black Lake, Saskatchewan
S0J 0W0

Chief August Mercredi
Fond Du Lac Band
General Delivery
Fond Du Lac, Saskatchewan
S0J 0W0

Chief Gordon Billette
Buffalo River Band
General Delivery
Dillon, Saskatchewan
S0M 0S0

Chief Thomas Iron
Canoe Lake Band
General Delivery
Canoe Narrows, Saskatchewan
S0M 0K0

Chief Joe Everette
English River Band
General Delivery
Patunak, Saskatchewan
S0M 2H0

Chief Richard Gladue
Flying Dust Band
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Meadow Lake, Saskatchewan
S0M 1V0

Chief Ernest Sundown
Joseph Bighead Band
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Pierceland, Saskatchewan
S0M 2K0

Chief Frank Piche
Big C Band
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La Loche, Saskatchewan
S0M 1G0

Chief David Ben
Makwa Lake Band
P.O. Box 340
Loon Lake, Saskatchewan
S0M 1L0

Chief Ernest Crookedneck
Ministikwan Band
P.O. Box 460
Loon Lake, Saskatchewan
S0M 1L0

Chief Paul Sylvestre
Turnor Lake Band
General Delivery
Turnor Lake, Saskatchewan
S0M 3E0

Chief Fred Martell
Waterhen Lake Band
General Delivery
Waterhen Lake, Saskatchewan
S0M 3B0

Chief John George Joseph
Big River Band
Debden, Saskatchewan
S0J 0S0

Chief Jacob Bill
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P.O. Box 399
Leoville, Saskatchewan
S0J 2G0

Chief Mike Fineday
Witchekan Lake Band No. 117
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Spiritwood, Saskatchewan
S0J 2M0

Chief Richard Gamble
Beardy's Okemasis Band
P.O. Box 340
Duck Lake, Saskatchewan
S0K 1J0

BIOGRAPHIES

GEORGE W. WOOD

A native of Fredericton, N. B., Dr. Wood has been associated with the lowbush blueberry industry since 1945. He was employed on a seasonal basis at that time with Agriculture Canada, and upon graduation from university in 1950, he was recruited as a research entomologist and assigned to problems of the lowbush blueberry. He has a B.Sc., from the University of New Brunswick, and M.A., from Queen's University, and a Ph.D. from the University of New Brunswick.

During his career with Agriculture Canada, Dr. Wood carried out research in all four Atlantic Provinces, Quebec and the State of Maine. In 1966 he cooperated with the Government of Manitoba in doing a survey for blueberry potential in that province. He was a member of the International Society for Horticultural Science and the Working Group on Vaccinium Culture in Europe for several years, and has presented lectures and published scientific papers in eight countries.

When the Wild Blueberry Association of North America was formed in 1981, he was asked to coordinate the programs of this organization and assist in promotional activities. Since retirement from Agriculture Canada in 1984, he has served as full time executive director of WBANA.

STEVEN L.A. STALLINGS

Steven L.A. Stallings is president of the National Centre for American Indian Enterprise Development (formerly the United Indian Development Association) headquartered in Los Angeles. The National Centre is a nonprofit corporation providing business and economic development assistance to tribes and American Indians. The National Center assisted over 780 businesses and secured $130 million in loans and contracts creating 2,800 jobs for Indians.

Long interested in developing American Indian entrepreneurs, Mr. Stallings formed the UIDA Consulting Group, which does economic research, trains Indian managers and develops joint ventures with private industry. Mr. Stallings has conducted dozens of workshops and seminars. Two of his training texts are used throughout America by Indians learning business planning and management.

Mr. Stallings is listed in **Who's Who in Finance and Industry** and **Who's Who in the West**. A member of the San Luiseno Band of California Mission Indians in Rincon, he has a B.S. degree in Business Administration from California State University, Long Beach, and an M.B.A. degree from the University of Southern California.

KENNETH L. BERGSTROM

Kenneth L. Bergstrom is the President and owner of Red-Wing Meadow Farm. Inc., in Sunderland, M.A. He is also the Vice President of the Massachusetts Aquaculture Association and a founding member of the Western Massachusetts Food Industry Association. Mr. Bergstrom holds a Bachelor's Degree in Biology and Chemistry from Rocky Mountain College in Montana, and a Master's Degree in Wildlife Biology and Natural Resource Planning from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, M.A. Mr. Bergstrom has held positions in environmental planning and resource conservation, as well as having taught science at several levels in the past.

Red-Wing Meadow Farm has been in operation since 1984 in Sunderland, MA raising trout and other aquacultural products. An additional fish farm in Montague was added to the business in 1985 and currently grows Brook, Brown, and Rainbow trout. Red-Wing Meadow Farm markets trout as both recreational and food fish and supplies fish to upscale and gourmet markets and restaurants regionally and nationally in the U.S.A.

THOMAS GREITHER

- Born in Munich, West Germany in 1959
- Family tradition of manufacturing Herbal Remedies and Herbs for over 75 years
- Left Europe in 1979 to move to the state of Vermont, USA
- Studied Human Nutrition and Foods at the University of Vermont, degree in Human Nutrition
- Extensive travel in the Himalayas and Asia to research Asian food habits and healing methods, for the University of Vermont
- Married in 1983
- In 1984, started a Health Food and Herb store in Burlington, Vermont
- Since 1987, has been managing Flora Distributors, a family owned business. They distribute and manufacture a variety of Herbal Teas, Herbal Remedies, Oils and Herbal Cosmetics

MO-NA FOOD ENTERPISES LTD.

A Canadian Non-Public company was incorporated on May 1st 1980 with an initial investment of $100,000 supplied by a total of twelve (12) share holders.

The concept and initial idea was conceived by Mr. Otto Holzbauer.

After one years intensive research of the wild mushroom supply in Canada, and analyzing the prospective markets in Europe and the U.S. in 1979, Mr. Holzbauer together with the members of his immediate family incorporated MO-NO Food Enterprises Ltd. (the 1st Canadian Wild Mushroom Company and sought other interested investors.

As of April 1st 1984 the company has a total of 31 share holders, holding a total of 608 shares from the one thousand shares issued. The majority of shares is held by the Founders of the company the "Holzbauer Family".

Management of the company has been entrusted in the capable hands of the founders of the company. Although the policies of the company, its further goals, future expansion and development are planned by a Board of Directors, the everyday management of the company is provided by the expertise of Mr. Otto Holzbauer and the members of his immediate family.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OTTO HOLZBAUER - PRESIDENT

Born and educated in Czechoslovakia, he obtained his training in Forestry Management in Czechoslovakia. After re-settling in Germany in 1947, he obtained training in the construction industry complete with a Masters Certificate. From 1950 to 1976 Mr. Holzbauer owned and operated his own Painting and Decorating firm. For the following two years prior to his arrival in Canada Mr. Holzbauer took training in the culinary arts.

Mr. Holzbauer holds also the position of General Manager of MO-NO Food Enterprises.